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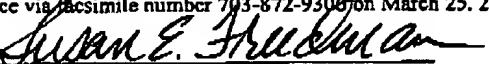
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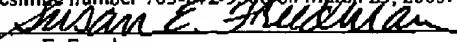
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## AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Sir:

Applicants provide the present Amendment After Final in response to the Final  
Official Action mailed January 27, 2005. Applicants request entry of the present Amendment  
After Final as Applicants submit that the present amendment does not raise new issues and  
narrows the issues for further consideration or appeal.

It is not believed that an extension of time and/or additional fee(s)-including fees for  
net addition of claims-are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in  
documents accompanying this paper. In the event, however, that an extension of time is  
necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such an extension is hereby petitioned under  
37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Any additional fees believed to be due in connection with this paper  
may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 09-0461.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page  
2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.